

ABSTRACT

Methods and arrangements are provided which associate a first user with a second user in a first device, and selectively provide information about the association of the first and second user to a second device as directed by the first user, without requiring the second user to be logged in to either the first or second device. The information about the association of the first and second user is provided to the second device via a validation code or validation protocol that essentially identifies the first user and the second user, when the first user is logged in to the second device. Here, for example, the validation code may identify the second user by an identifier and a name, and possibly provide modifications to a consent parameter associated with the second user. In certain implementations, at least a portion of the validation code may be encrypted when sent from the first device to the second device. By way of example, in certain instances, the first user may be a parent/guardian to the second user. The first device may include a network server that is configured to act as an authentication server, and the second device may include a network server that is configured to act as an affiliated server associated with the authentication server.